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**From:** Christie StClair  
**Sent:** Mon 8/17/2015 7:14:00 PM  
**Subject:** R8 ACTION: checking in

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Thanks!  
Christie

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**From:** "Christopher Flavelle (BLOOMBERG/ NEWSROOM:)"  
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**Date:** August 17, 2015 at 12:36:59 PM EDT  
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**Subject:** Re: checking in  
**Reply-To:** Christopher Flavelle <[cflavelle@bloomberg.net](mailto:cflavelle@bloomberg.net)>

Let me make my earlier question more specific: Did the EPA perform an Engineering Evaluation/Cost Analysis before starting work at the Gold King Mine? I'm told it did not; if that's correct, could you tell me why not? If that's not correct, please let me know.

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From: [StClair.Christie@epa.gov](mailto:StClair.Christie@epa.gov) At: Aug 17 2015 09:33:33

To: [Christopher Flavelle \(BLOOMBERG/ NEWSROOM:\)](#),  
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Hi Chris,

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On Aug 14, 2015, at 11:43 AM, "Christopher Flavelle (BLOOMBERG/ NEWSROOM:)" <[cflavelle@bloomberg.net](mailto:cflavelle@bloomberg.net)> wrote:

Christie, hi, I wanted to see whether you had been able to get any of the info I asked for.

Best,

Chris

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**Subject:** RE: Re:

These are great questions, Chris. And I love that you don't need them tonight! ☺

You're talking noon MTN or EDT? Either way I think we can get this done.

Is it Friday yet?

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**From:** Christopher Flavelle (BLOOMBERG/ NEWSROOM:)  
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**Sent:** Thursday, August 13, 2015 8:24 PM  
**To:** StClair, Christie; Press  
**Subject:** Re:

Christie, one more question for tomorrow: roughly how many removal or remediation efforts does the EPA undertake each year, and how

many involve the time-critical designation?

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----- Original Message -----

From: Christie StClair

At: 13-Aug-2015 18:21:47

**Hi Chris, what is your deadline?**

**Thanks!**

**Christie**

**From:** Christopher Flavelle (BLOOMBERG/ NEWSROOM:)  
[mailto:[cflavelle@bloomberg.net](mailto:cflavelle@bloomberg.net)]

**Sent:** Thursday, August 13, 2015 12:50 PM

**To:** Jenkins, Laura Flynn

**Subject:** Following up

Laura, as I mentioned on the phone, I'm trying to find out whether the EPA's removal action at Gold King, which I'm told was designated "time critical," was preceded by an engineering evaluation. My understanding is that such evaluations aren't required for time-critical removal actions, but that doesn't necessarily mean none was conducted. Could you let me know?

Best,

Chris Flavelle

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